



CITY OF LODI

COUNCIL COMMUNICATION

AGENDA TITLE: Redesignation Of The Crepe Myrtle As The Official Tree Of The City Of Lodi

MEETING DATE: October 7, 1998

PREPARED BY: City Clerk

RECOMMENDED ACTION: That, following a presentation by representatives of the City of Lodi Year 2000 Steering Committee and the president of the three Rotary Clubs, the City Council adopt the attached resolution redesignating the Crepe Myrtle as the official tree of the City of Lodi.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION: Many years ago, the Crepe Myrtle was designated as the official tree of the City of Lodi. Following the designation, the Lodi Rotary Club each year would recognize this fact by providing each of its members with a small Crepe Myrtle tree. We feel that this community-spirited gesture by the Lodi Rotary Club played a significant part in the abundant plantings of this lovely tree in Lodi.

As a part of the City of Lodi Year 2000 Celebration, the Committee is attempting to look back into the history of our community as well as providing a glimpse into the future as we enter the new millennium. Therefore, the Committee felt it would be most appropriate to have the City Council redesignate the Crepe Myrtle as the official tree of the City of Lodi as a part of our celebration.

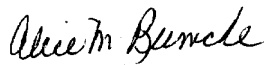
Inasmuch as the Lodi Rotary initiated a community planting effort through its membership many years ago, we contacted the presidents of each Lodi Rotary Club, namely:

JoAnne McLane Rantz, Lodi Rotary Club
Donald H. Fraser, Lodi Sunrise Rotary Club
Jerry J. Adams, Lodi-Tokay Rotary Club

to see if they would be interested in renewing this wonderful tradition. The three clubs have agreed to purchase 600 Crepe Myrtles from Weigums Lodi Nursery and distribute these plants through a voucher system to their members.

The Year 2000 Steering Committee is delighted that this lovely old tradition will once again be carried out by Lodi Rotarians and know that these plantings will add significantly to the beauty and charm of this community.

FUNDING: None required.


Alice M. Reimche
City Clerk

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APPROVED: _____
H. Dixon Flynn -- City Manager

RESOLUTION NO. 98-141

A RESOLUTION OF THE LODI CITY COUNCIL
REDESIGNATING THE "CREPE MYRTLE" AS THE
OFFICIAL TREE OF THE CITY OF LODI

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WHEREAS, many years ago, the Crepe Myrtle was designated as the official tree of the City of Lodi; and

WHEREAS, following the designation, the Lodi Rotary Club each year would recognize this fact by providing each of its members with a small Crepe Myrtle tree for planting, and this community-spirited gesture by the Lodi Rotary Club has played a significant part in the abundant plantings of this lovely tree in Lodi; and

WHEREAS, the City of Lodi Year 2000 Celebration Committee is attempting to look back into the history of our community as well as providing a glimpse into the future as we enter the new millennium; and

WHEREAS, the Committee felt it would be appropriate to have the City Council redesignate the Crepe Myrtle as the official tree of the City of Lodi as a part of the Year 2000 Celebration; and

WHEREAS, the three Lodi Rotary Clubs in an effort to further this tradition, will purchase 600 trees and distribute them to their members, so that the plantings of these beautiful trees will add beauty and charm to our community for many years to come.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Council of the City of Lodi hereby redesignates the "Crepe Myrtle" tree as the official tree of the City of Lodi.

Dated: October 7, 1998

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I hereby certify that Resolution No. 98-141 was passed and adopted by the City Council of the City of Lodi in a regular meeting held October 7, 1998, by the following vote:

AYES: COUNCIL MEMBERS – Johnson, Land, Mann, Pennino and
Sieglock (Mayor)

NOES: COUNCIL MEMBERS – None

ABSENT: COUNCIL MEMBERS – None

ABSTAIN: COUNCIL MEMBERS – None


ALICE M. REIMCHE
City Clerk